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LABOR MARKET REVIEW

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TEXAS NONFARM SALARIED JOBS EXPAND SEASONALLY

Statewide Rate Rises Slightly

The actual Texas unemployment rate increased moderately over the month, rising from 5.7 percent in March to 6.0 percent in April. Despite the increase, the current rate was the lowest recorded for an April since 1982, when the actual April rate was 5.9 percent. There were 499,200 jobless Texans in mid-April, up by 26,700 from the March estimate. The current unemployment rate was a full percentage point below the year-ago rate of 7.0 percent. Total employment rose slightly between March and April, to a level of 7,887,000—over 100,000 above the April 1989 estimate. There were an estimated 229,900 agricultural workers in the State in April, according to the Current Population Survey.

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for the State continued to vacillate, rising from 5.6 percent in March to 6.4 percent in April (the same rate recorded for February). The current rate continued to be close to a percentage point below the year-ago rate of 7.3 percent. The Nation's seasonally adjusted rate rose modestly, from 5.2 percent in March to 5.4 percent in April. The year-ago rate in this series was 5.3 percent. The actual U. S. rate inched downward from 5.4 percent to 5.2 percent in April, compared to 5.1 percent a year ago.

Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment Increases

Acceleration among various springtime activities helped boost the number of Nonfarm Salaried Jobs by 26,000 between March and April, pushing the total up to 6,918,500. The two sectors which generated the largest number of jobs were Wholesale and Retail Trade and Government. More moderate gains were recorded in all other nonmanufacturing sectors, except Mining.

Employers in **Wholesale and Retail Trade** created over 8,000 jobs in April. The growth was concentrated in Eating and Drinking Places, which gained 6,500 positions. This sector normally shows increases beginning in March or April and extending through the summer months.

Within **Government**, the largest gains were in Federal Government, as tax deadlines and census-taking activities pushed employment upward in April.

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CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES
(In Thousands)

	Apr.'90	Mar.'90	Apr.'89
UNITED STATES (ACTUAL)			
Labor Force	123,816.0	123,790.0	122,576.0
Unemployment	6,457.0	6,697.0	6,229.0
Percent Unemployed	5.2%	5.4%	5.1%
Total Employment	117,359.0	117,093.0	116,347.0
UNITED STATES (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)			
Labor Force	124,886.0	124,829.0	123,615.0
Unemployment	6,770.0	6,495.0	6,531.0
Percent Unemployed	5.4%	5.2%	5.3%
Total Employment	118,116.0	118,334.0	117,084.0
STATE OF TEXAS (ACTUAL)			
Labor Force	8,386.2	8,346.5	8,359.9
Unemployment	499.2	472.5	581.2
Percent Unemployed	6.0%	5.7%	7.0%
Total Employment	7,887.0	7,874.0	7,778.7
STATE OF TEXAS (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)			
Labor Force	8,495.0	8,447.0	8,467.0
Unemployment	540.0	470.0	622.0
Percent Unemployed	6.4%	5.6%	7.3%
Total Employment	7,955.0	7,977.0	7,845.0

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES ✚
TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

	APR.'90*	MAR.'90**	APR.'89**	APR.'90*	MAR.'90**	APR.'89**	APR.'90*	MAR.'90**	APR.'89**
	ABILENE			AMARILLO			AUSTIN		
Total Civilian Labor Force	51,500	51,500	52,800	96,100	94,700	97,100	430,100	428,900	431,300
Total Unemployment	2,800	2,600	3,700	4,700	4,800	5,700	18,900	17,500	24,000
Percent Unemployed	5.4%	5.0%	7.0%	4.9%	5.1%	5.9%	4.4%	4.1%	5.6%
Total Employment ++	48,700	48,900	49,100	91,400	89,900	91,400	411,200	411,400	407,300
	BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR			BRAZORIA			BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN		
Total Civilian Labor Force	162,100	159,900	162,700	85,600	84,500	85,200	106,400	106,600	103,100
Total Unemployment	11,900	11,000	15,700	4,400	4,300	6,000	11,400	11,700	12,000
Percent Unemployed	7.3%	6.9%	9.6%	5.1%	5.1%	7.0%	10.7%	11.0%	11.6%
Total Employment ++	150,200	148,900	147,000	81,200	80,200	79,200	95,000	94,900	91,100
	BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION			CORPUS CHRISTI			DALLAS***		
Total Civilian Labor Force	62,500	62,100	61,900	159,600	157,600	159,300	1,434.4	1,428.4	1,432.2
Total Unemployment	2,100	2,000	2,800	10,000	9,300	14,200	69.8	63.9	80.5
Percent Unemployed	3.4%	3.2%	4.5%	6.3%	5.9%	8.9%	4.9%	4.5%	5.6%
Total Employment ++	60,400	60,100	59,100	149,600	148,300	145,100	1,364.6	1,364.5	1,351.7
	EL PASO			FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON			GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY		
Total Civilian Labor Force	250,800	250,100	245,600	723,900	721,800	714,900	109,500	108,200	110,800
Total Unemployment	25,500	23,700	25,000	34,700	32,300	40,200	7,700	6,900	8,000
Percent Unemployed	10.2%	9.5%	10.2%	4.8%	4.5%	5.6%	7.0%	6.4%	7.2%
Total Employment ++	225,300	226,400	220,600	689,200	689,500	674,700	101,800	101,300	102,800
	HOUSTON***			KILLEEN-TEMPLE			LAREDO		
Total Civilian Labor Force	1,673.7	1,668.1	1,653.6	98,200	97,600	96,100	53,400	53,600	51,600
Total Unemployment	82.1	76.2	101.1	6,500	6,200	7,700	5,900	6,200	6,800
Percent Unemployed	4.9%	4.6%	6.1%	6.6%	6.4%	8.0%	11.0%	11.6%	13.2%
Total Employment ++	1,591.6	1,591.9	1,552.5	91,700	91,400	88,400	47,500	47,400	44,800
	LONGVIEW-MARSHALL			LUBBOCK			MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION		
Total Civilian Labor Force	79,500	79,500	79,800	113,600	113,200	112,800	165,500	168,300	158,600
Total Unemployment	5,200	4,900	7,400	4,800	4,300	5,600	32,200	36,600	26,700
Percent Unemployed	6.5%	6.2%	9.3%	4.2%	3.8%	5.0%	19.5%	21.7%	16.8%
Total Employment ++	74,300	74,600	72,400	108,800	108,900	107,200	133,300	131,700	131,900
	MIDLAND			ODESSA			SAN ANGELO		
Total Civilian Labor Force	48,600	48,500	49,400	50,600	50,700	52,100	44,200	44,100	45,800
Total Unemployment	2,500	2,500	3,000	3,200	3,000	4,400	2,600	2,400	2,600
Percent Unemployed	5.1%	5.2%	6.1%	6.3%	5.9%	8.4%	5.9%	5.4%	5.7%
Total Employment ++	46,100	46,000	46,400	47,400	47,700	47,700	41,600	41,700	43,200
	SAN ANTONIO			SHERMAN-DENISON			TEXARKANA		
Total Civilian Labor Force	611,400	603,400	613,000	46,800	46,700	47,200	57,800	57,400	57,600
Total Unemployment	42,900	36,000	45,000	2,400	2,300	3,100	3,400	3,300	4,600
Percent Unemployed	7.0%	6.0%	7.3%	5.1%	4.9%	6.6%	5.9%	5.7%	8.0%
Total Employment ++	568,500	567,400	568,000	44,400	44,400	44,100	54,200	54,100	53,000
	TYLER			VICTORIA			WACO		
Total Civilian Labor Force	74,400	74,200	75,600	35,600	35,700	35,600	93,700	93,100	92,800
Total Unemployment	4,200	3,900	5,300	1,600	1,600	2,300	4,800	4,400	5,300
Percent Unemployed	5.6%	5.3%	7.0%	4.5%	4.5%	6.5%	5.1%	4.7%	5.7%
Total Employment ++	70,200	70,300	70,300	34,000	34,100	33,300	88,900	88,700	87,500
	WICHITA FALLS						STATE OF TEXAS***		
Total Civilian Labor Force	55,900	55,900	56,100				8,386.2	8,346.5	8,359.9
Total Unemployment	3,000	2,800	3,300				499.2	472.5	581.2
Percent Unemployed	5.4%	5.0%	5.9%				6.0%	5.7%	7.0%
Total Employment ++	52,900	53,100	52,800				7,887.0	7,874.0	7,778.7

✚ All estimates shown are "actual" (not seasonally adjusted). ++ Total employment includes resident wage and salary workers, self-employed, unpaid family workers and domestics in private households, agricultural workers, and workers involved in labor-management disputes.

QC ANNUAL REPORT
CY 1989

State of Texas

Unemployment Insurance Quality Control
Annual Report for Calendar Year 1989

Total Dollars Paid in Population	$691,676,884
Sample Size	1,462

	Percentage of Dollars	95% Confidence Interval (+/-)
Proper Payments	92.2%	1.3%
Overpayments	7.8%	1.3%
	100.0%	
Underpayments	0.7%	0.2%

UI Quality Control Program

The Texas Employment Commission (TEC), in conjunction with the U. S Department of Labor, has initiated a system for analyzing its Unemployment Insurance Quality Control (QC) Program.

The Unemployment Insurance Department of the Commission relies on information provided by employers and claimants as a basis for paying or denying benefits to unemployed persons. Obviously, the quality of decisions on these payments is directly related to the quality of information provided on such matters as job separations, refusal of work, work search efforts, etc.

Under the QC System, a random sampling of claims is computer-generated weekly and each aspect of a claim selected is scrutinized thoroughly. The audit includes: (1) verification of a claimant's reason for being unemployed; (2) verification of employer's quarterly wages earned by the claimant; (3) weekly work search contacts made by the claimant; and (4) earnings reported by the claimant for the week of the claim.

QC investigators audited a random sample of 1,462 of the 4,507,068 total benefit payments made during Calendar Year 1989. Results of the review showed that during this period, 92.2% of the total benefits were correctly paid. Improper payments or overpayments accounted for 7.8% of total benefits paid. This improper payment figure is broken out by "error responsibility" as follows:

Claimant only error	5.6%
Employer only error	0.8%
Agency only (TEC) error	0.7%
Claimant and agency error	0.3%
Claimant and employer error	0.2%
Employer and agency error	0.1%
Claimant, employer & agency error	0.1%
	7.8%

Claimant errors included failure to correctly report earnings during a week in which benefits were received.

Employer errors were caused by their failure to report the correct amount of quarterly wages for former employees who later became active claimants and received unemployment benefits.

Agency errors were due to data entry or procedural errors made by employees of TEC.

In addition to the Quality Control Unit, TEC also maintains a Benefit Payment Control (BPC) Unit to investigate and reclaim benefits paid to claimants under both fraudulent and unintentional error situations. The BPC Unit recovered $11,366,842 from claimants in 1989. This money was returned to the U. I. Trust Fund.

In July 1990, the U. S. Department of Labor will publish a digest of QC data for all states. The format used for the release of the Texas QC data is shown above.

TEXAS NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT +

	Apr.'90*	Mar.'90**	Apr.'89**	Chg. from Mar.'90	Chg. from Apr.'89
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	**6,918,500**	**6,892,500**	**6,791,000**	**26,000**	**127,500**
MANUFACTURING	**963,400**	**964,000**	**966,800**	**-600**	**-3,400**
Durable Goods	**552,500**	**553,100**	**557,700**	**-600**	**-5,200**
Lumber & Wood Products	30,400	30,600	31,100	-200	-700
Logging Camps, Sawmills, Planing Mills	6,700	6,700	7,100	0	-400
Furniture & Fixtures	16,700	16,800	16,000	-100	700
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	36,000	36,400	37,200	-400	-1,200
Concrete, Gypsum & Plaster Prod.	15,300	15,500	16,600	-200	-1,300
Primary Metal Industries	28,700	28,400	29,400	300	-700
Fabricated Metal Industries	77,500	77,400	77,100	100	400
Fabr. Structructural Metal Prod.	37,100	37,100	36,700	0	400
Industrial Machinery & Equipment	106,700	106,400	108,000	300	-1,300
Oil & Gas Field Machinery	23,700	23,500	23,900	200	-200
Electronic & Other Electrical Equipment	104,400	104,700	106,100	-300	-1,700
Transportation Equipment	99,500	99,600	99,700	-100	-200
Aircraft & Parts	71,800	71,800	71,400	0	400
Instruments & Related Prod.	37,100	37,200	37,600	-100	-500
Misc. Manufacturing Industries	15,500	15,600	15,500	-100	0
Nondurable Goods	**410,900**	**410,900**	**409,100**	**0**	**1,800**
Food & Kindred Products	95,700	95,900	94,700	-200	1,000
Meat Products	29,000	29,200	28,700	-200	300
Dairy Products	4,100	4,200	4,200	-100	-100
Bakery Products	10,000	10,000	9,900	0	100
Malt Beverages	3,300	3,100	3,000	200	300
Textile Mill Products	3,800	3,500	3,900	300	-100
Apparel & Oth. Fin. Textile Prod.	55,500	56,100	56,600	-600	-1,100
Paper & Allied Products	24,400	24,500	24,400	-100	0
Printing & Publishing	72,800	72,600	73,400	200	-600
Newspaper, Periodicals, Books & Misc.	34,700	34,600	35,000	100	-300
Chemicals & Allied Products	82,200	81,600	79,500	600	2,700
Petroleum & Coal Products	28,800	28,800	28,300	0	500
Petroleum Refining	25,600	25,600	25,200	0	400
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	40,400	40,600	40,500	-200	-100
Leather & Leather Products	7,200	7,200	7,700	0	-500
TOTAL NONMANUFACTURING	**5,955,100**	**5,928,500**	**5,824,200**	**26,600**	**130,900**
Mining	**175,200**	**175,200**	**173,900**	**0**	**1,300**
Metal & Coal & Nonmet. Mnrls., exc. Fuel	9,800	9,900	9,700	-100	100
Oil & Gas Extraction	165,400	165,300	164,200	100	1,200
Construction	**316,500**	**313,800**	**314,200**	**2,700**	**2,300**
Transportation & Public Utilities	**413,300**	**408,600**	**397,400**	**4,700**	**15,900**
Railroad Transportation	19,000	19,000	20,300	0	-1,300
Other Transportation	231,300	226,700	217,000	4,600	14,300
Transportation by Air	71,300	70,800	66,800	500	4,500
Communications	86,000	85,900	83,500	100	2,500
Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	77,000	77,000	76,600	0	400
Electric Services	40,600	40,400	41,000	200	-400
Gas Production & Distribution	27,400	27,600	27,300	-200	100
Wholesale & Retail Trade	**1,689,700**	**1,681,400**	**1,674,600**	**8,300**	**15,100**
Wholesale Trade	425,200	426,500	424,600	-1,300	600
Retail Trade	1,264,500	1,254,900	1,250,000	9,600	14,500
Building Materials & Garden Supplies	43,300	43,000	41,900	300	1,400
General Merchandise Stores	171,500	170,200	172,500	1,300	-1,000
Food Stores	223,100	221,600	223,300	1,500	-200
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	135,200	135,400	137,800	-200	-2,600
Apparel & Accessory Stores	84,100	83,900	83,100	200	1,000
Eating & Drinking Places	425,800	419,300	412,300	6,500	13,500
Other Retail Trade	181,500	181,500	179,100	0	2,400
Finance, Ins. & Real Estate	**432,200**	**432,200**	**431,600**	**0**	**600**
Depository Insts., incl. Banks	133,100	133,200	134,100	-100	-1,000
Insurance Carriers, Agents & Brokers	141,400	140,800	138,500	600	2,900
Other Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	157,700	158,200	159,000	-500	-1,300
Services	**1,653,900**	**1,649,700**	**1,602,300**	**4,200**	**51,600**
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	84,200	84,600	85,900	-400	-1,700
Personal Services	82,000	81,300	79,000	700	3,000
Business & Repair Services	412,900	411,800	402,200	1,100	10,700
Amusement, including Motion Pictures	75,900	74,700	73,900	1,200	2,000
Health Services	459,000	458,600	441,200	400	17,800
Educational Services	83,900	84,000	84,200	-100	-300
Engineering & Mgmt. Services	148,500	148,200	139,000	300	9,500
Other Services & Miscellaneous	307,500	306,500	296,900	1,000	10,600
Total Government	**1,274,300**	**1,267,600**	**1,230,200**	**6,700**	**44,100**
Federal Government	209,100	205,200	201,600	3,900	7,500
State Government	260,000	260,000	249,100	0	10,900
Local Government	805,200	802,400	779,500	2,800	25,700

+ Number of nonagricultural jobs in Texas without reference to place of residence of workers. Estimates of TEC in cooperation with Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor.

* Preliminary – subject to revision. ** Revised.

NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT +
TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

Industry	Apr.'90*	Mar.'90**	Apr.'89**	Apr.'90*	Mar.'90**	Apr.'89**	Apr.'90*	Mar.'90**	Apr.'89**	Apr.'90*	Mar.'90**	Apr.'89**
	ABILENE			AMARILLO			AUSTIN			BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR		
TOTAL	48,600	48,800	48,900	77,300	75,600	76,900	368,700	368,300	363,200	138,100	137,300	134,600
Manufacturing	5,000	5,000	4,800	9,000	9,100	9,100	45,200	45,200	43,300	24,800	24,900	24,400
Mining	1,400	1,400	1,500	1,100	1,100	1,300	600	600	600	1,600	1,600	1,400
Construction	1,400	1,400	1,600	3,300	3,100	3,400	10,900	10,700	11,300	10,200	10,200	9,700
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,600	2,600	2,600	5,600	5,500	5,500	11,200	11,300	11,000	9,900	9,500	9,600
Trade	13,000	13,100	13,100	21,700	21,100	22,300	77,500	77,300	77,600	32,400	32,200	32,000
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	2,200	2,200	2,300	3,900	3,900	4,200	23,700	23,700	23,500	5,300	5,300	5,300
Services & Misc.	14,100	14,200	13,900	17,300	17,300	16,800	91,800	91,800	89,600	32,600	32,300	31,200
Government	8,900	8,900	9,100	15,400	14,500	14,300	107,800	107,700	106,300	21,300	21,300	21,000
	BRAZORIA			BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN			BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION			CORPUS CHRISTI		
TOTAL	64,200	63,600	62,400	76,200	76,400	73,400	54,400	54,200	52,800	130,000	129,400	126,600
Manufacturing	16,300	16,100	15,900	10,800	11,000	10,500	3,700	3,700	3,500	11,700	11,700	11,700
Mining	2,000	2,000	2,100	—	—	—	500	500	500	3,500	3,400	3,500
Construction	9,200	8,700	8,600	2,100	2,100	2,000	1,500	1,600	1,800	10,800	10,500	8,200
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,500	2,600	2,500	3,300	3,200	3,100	1,400	1,400	1,300	6,700	6,700	6,700
Trade	11,600	11,600	11,300	20,500	20,500	19,800	12,000	11,500	11,800	32,200	31,700	31,700
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,800	1,800	1,800	3,800	3,900	3,700	1,700	1,800	1,700	6,300	6,400	6,400
Services & Misc.	9,100	9,000	8,700	18,100	18,100	17,100	9,100	9,300	9,200	30,400	30,500	30,000
Government	11,700	11,800	11,500	17,600	17,600	17,200	24,500	24,400	23,000	28,400	28,500	28,400
	DALLAS ***			EL PASO			FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON			GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY		
TOTAL	1,358.0	1,354.4	1,341.9	208,500	207,100	200,900	574,600	572,600	560,400	75,300	74,500	75,500
Manufacturing	220.9	220.9	223.8	39,700	40,100	40,400	121,500	121,000	119,400	9,000	9,000	8,700
Mining	17.2	17.3	17.7	—	—	—	3,900	4,000	4,000	600	500	500
Construction	44.5	43.6	46.7	8,400	8,300	7,900	20,900	20,700	21,100	6,700	6,500	7,300
Trans., Comm. & Util.	80.2	79.9	76.8	10,500	10,400	10,500	55,000	54,700	50,600	4,900	4,900	4,600
Trade	353.9	353.3	342.9	51,800	51,900	49,900	144,500	144,000	143,500	14,100	13,800	14,000
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	129.7	129.3	129.1	8,300	8,300	8,600	27,800	27,500	27,800	4,400	4,400	4,600
Services & Misc.	349.1	347.9	347.3	42,800	42,800	41,400	126,800	126,200	122,800	13,900	13,700	13,700
Government	162.5	162.2	157.6	45,000	45,300	42,200	74,400	74,500	71,200	21,700	21,700	22,100
	HOUSTON ***			KILLEEN-TEMPLE			LAREDO			LONGVIEW-MARSHALL		
TOTAL	1,536.9	1,532.4	1,488.5	74,600	74,100	72,300	43,700	43,600	41,300	68,900	69,000	66,700
Manufacturing	162.8	162.9	160.7	8,800	8,700	8,500	1,800	1,800	1,700	16,400	16,500	16,000
Mining	67.8	67.4	65.1	—	—	—	1,600	1,600	1,600	3,400	3,400	3,400
Construction	98.7	98.3	93.1	3,200	3,200	3,300	1,200	1,200	1,200	3,500	3,600	3,100
Trans., Comm. & Util.	106.3	106.6	104.8	2,700	2,600	2,600	6,100	6,200	5,500	3,400	3,400	3,300
Trade	367.2	366.0	363.1	16,500	16,400	16,400	14,000	13,900	12,900	16,900	16,900	16,800
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	101.4	101.7	100.9	3,200	3,200	2,900	1,900	1,900	1,700	2,700	2,700	2,700
Services & Misc.	426.1	426.0	405.4	17,500	17,300	16,900	7,300	7,300	7,000	13,700	13,600	12,500
Government	204.6	203.5	196.4	22,700	22,700	21,700	9,800	9,700	9,700	8,900	8,900	8,900
	LUBBOCK			MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION			MIDLAND			ODESSA		
TOTAL	96,300	96,200	94,500	99,600	98,900	98,100	44,800	44,400	44,700	42,400	42,700	42,600
Manufacturing	7,200	7,300	7,300	12,400	12,200	13,000	2,300	2,300	2,300	4,100	4,100	4,100
Mining	300	300	300	900	900	900	8,600	8,500	8,800	5,000	5,100	5,000
Construction	2,900	2,900	2,900	4,400	4,400	4,200	1,300	1,400	1,400	1,900	2,000	2,000
Trans., Comm. & Util.	5,800	5,800	5,000	2,900	2,900	3,100	2,300	2,300	2,300	1,900	1,900	1,900
Trade	27,400	27,400	27,300	31,400	30,900	30,900	11,000	10,800	10,700	12,500	12,500	12,500
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	5,400	5,400	5,200	4,300	4,200	4,000	2,400	2,400	2,400	1,500	1,500	1,600
Services & Misc.	23,900	23,700	24,100	16,700	16,700	16,200	9,600	9,400	9,800	7,600	7,600	7,600
Government	23,400	23,400	22,400	26,800	26,700	25,800	7,300	7,300	7,000	7,900	8,000	7,900
	SAN ANGELO			SAN ANTONIO			SHERMAN-DENISON			TEXARKANA		
TOTAL	36,000	36,200	37,400	517,400	515,400	515,500	37,000	36,800	36,900	47,000	47,100	45,900
Manufacturing	5,100	5,100	5,500	47,600	47,400	48,400	10,800	10,800	10,800	7,100	7,100	7,100
Mining	600	600	500	2,100	2,200	2,200	—	—	—	100	100	100
Construction	1,100	1,100	1,300	20,300	20,100	22,100	1,600	1,700	1,600	1,500	1,400	1,600
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,600	2,600	2,900	19,600	19,700	19,400	1,400	1,400	1,700	2,300	2,400	2,300
Trade	8,800	8,800	9,200	130,200	129,400	130,300	8,000	7,900	7,900	10,800	10,700	10,600
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,600	1,600	1,700	41,200	41,400	40,400	1,900	1,900	1,900	1,800	1,800	1,800
Services & Misc.	8,600	8,800	9,100	134,400	133,400	132,200	8,900	8,800	8,500	10,700	10,700	10,000
Government	7,600	7,600	7,200	122,000	121,800	120,500	4,400	4,300	4,500	12,700	12,900	12,400
	TYLER			VICTORIA			WACO			WICHITA FALLS		
TOTAL	62,100	61,800	61,600	28,400	28,000	27,400	82,600	82,200	80,400	50,400	50,600	50,500
Manufacturing	10,800	10,700	10,900	3,100	3,000	3,400	16,100	16,200	15,200	8,200	8,300	8,500
Mining	1,700	1,700	1,600	1,300	1,300	1,300	—	—	—	1,400	1,400	1,500
Construction	1,700	1,600	1,700	1,800	1,700	1,500	2,900	2,800	3,100	1,500	1,500	1,800
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,800	2,800	2,500	1,300	1,200	1,300	3,500	3,500	3,400	2,600	2,600	2,600
Trade	16,300	16,200	16,300	7,600	7,500	7,400	18,800	18,500	18,300	11,800	11,800	11,500
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	3,500	3,500	3,400	1,500	1,500	1,600	5,100	5,100	5,000	2,400	2,400	2,300
Services & Misc.	15,300	15,200	14,900	5,900	5,800	6,000	22,900	22,800	22,300	12,700	12,700	12,400
Government	10,000	10,100	10,300	5,900	6,000	4,900	13,300	13,300	13,100	9,800	9,900	9,900

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* Preliminary — subject to revision. ** Revised. *** In Thousands.

HOURS AND EARNINGS IN TEXAS ✣

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	APR.'90*	MAR.'90	APR.'89	APR.'90*	MAR.'90	APR.'89	APR.'90*	MAR.'90	APR.'89
FOR TEXAS									
MANUFACTURING TOTAL	$ 425.95	$ 430.97	$ 431.28	40.8	41.4	42.2	$ 10.44	$10.41	$10.22
Durable Goods	416.93	427.87	434.09	40.4	41.5	42.6	10.32	10.31	10.19
Lumber & Wood Products	291.10	296.33	299.10	40.6	41.1	41.6	7.17	7.21	7.19
Furniture & Fixtures	264.92	285.20	268.80	37.9	40.0	40.0	6.99	7.13	6.72
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	411.73	399.10	401.94	41.8	41.4	42.0	9.85	9.64	9.57
Primary Metal Industries	452.73	472.34	454.11	40.1	42.4	41.7	11.29	11.14	10.89
Fabricated Metal Products	378.92	395.41	392.34	40.7	42.2	43.4	9.31	9.37	9.04
Machinery, exc. Electric	402.38	424.03	421.71	39.8	41.9	42.9	10.11	10.12	9.83
Oil Field Machinery	492.05	524.16	497.04	42.2	44.8	43.6	11.66	11.70	11.40
Electric & Electronic Equip.	484.51	485.75	492.69	41.2	41.2	42.4	11.76	11.79	11.62
Transportation Equipment	540.60	551.27	598.09	40.8	41.7	44.6	13.25	13.22	13.41
Instruments & Related Prod.	396.73	408.12	396.58	40.4	41.1	40.8	9.82	9.93	9.72
Misc. Manufacturing Inds.	292.97	288.42	282.80	38.6	38.1	38.9	7.59	7.57	7.27
Nondurable Goods	436.31	434.89	427.84	41.2	41.3	41.7	10.59	10.53	10.26
Food & Kindred Products	342.95	352.29	341.88	40.3	41.3	40.7	8.51	8.53	8.40
Meat Products	262.42	271.00	255.60	39.7	41.5	40.0	6.61	6.53	6.39
Malt Beverages	878.39	887.36	879.38	46.5	47.2	46.9	18.89	18.80	18.75
Textile Mill Products	322.49	307.84	335.22	42.1	41.6	44.4	7.66	7.40	7.55
Apparel & Other Text. Prods.	214.92	209.93	215.86	39.8	38.1	39.9	5.40	5.51	5.41
Paper & Allied Products	484.50	489.19	498.96	42.5	43.1	44.0	11.40	11.35	11.34
Printing & Publishing	410.84	415.94	403.39	40.2	40.5	39.9	10.22	10.27	10.11
Chemicals & Allied Products	704.58	690.77	704.81	43.6	43.2	44.3	16.16	15.98	15.91
Petroleum & Coal Products	767.38	765.77	720.65	45.3	45.5	44.9	16.94	16.83	16.05
Petroleum Refining	801.19	797.47	751.05	45.6	45.7	45.0	17.57	17.45	16.69
Rubber & Misc. Plastic Products	374.26	374.54	360.73	39.9	40.8	41.8	9.38	9.18	8.63
Leather & Leather Products	244.06	250.67	231.27	36.7	39.6	39.0	6.65	6.33	5.93
NONMANUFACTURING									
Mining	586.27	565.13	534.09	42.7	42.3	40.4	13.73	13.36	13.22
Met/Coal/Nonmet Mnrls. exc. Fuel	558.38	553.84	535.46	46.3	46.0	44.4	12.06	12.04	12.06
Oil & Gas Extraction	587.66	565.32	534.13	42.4	42.0	40.1	13.86	13.46	13.32
Communications	523.26	515.60	499.41	40.5	40.0	39.2	12.92	12.89	12.74
Elec., Gas & San. Services	553.37	531.71	513.89	42.6	41.9	42.4	12.99	12.69	12.12
Wholesale & Retail Trade	241.41	237.65	238.46	32.8	32.6	32.8	7.36	7.29	7.27
Wholesale Trade	422.53	410.94	417.35	39.6	39.1	39.9	10.67	10.51	10.46
Retail Trade	186.35	184.52	183.60	30.7	30.6	30.6	6.07	6.03	6.00
General Merchandise Stores	184.50	185.63	175.21	30.0	29.7	29.3	6.15	6.25	5.98
Depository Inst. inc. Banks	298.74	280.78	298.65	39.0	36.8	39.4	7.66	7.63	7.58

HOURS AND EARNINGS FOR SELECTED TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

DALLAS									
Manufacturing	$ 425.99	$ 442.26	$ 438.44	41.0	42.0	42.9	$ 10.39	$ 10.53	$ 10.22
Durable Goods	447.72	468.57	478.08	41.0	42.1	43.7	10.92	11.13	10.94
Nondurable Goods	389.09	398.05	369.77	41.0	41.9	41.5	9.49	9.50	8.91
FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON									
Manufacturing	455.22	462.15	456.64	40.5	41.3	41.4	11.24	11.19	11.03
Durable Goods	479.85	489.06	481.22	40.7	41.8	41.7	11.79	11.70	11.54
Nondurable Goods	401.20	400.20	401.88	40.2	40.1	40.8	9.98	9.98	9.85
HOUSTON									
Manufacturing	512.48	524.94	510.56	42.6	43.6	43.6	12.03	12.04	11.71
Durable Goods	422.69	444.42	429.57	41.4	43.4	43.7	10.21	10.24	9.83
Nondurable Goods	623.04	625.03	612.92	44.0	43.8	43.5	14.16	14.27	14.09
SAN ANTONIO									
Manufacturing	316.00	312.07	303.16	41.2	40.9	40.1	7.67	7.63	7.56
Durable Goods	353.12	348.16	327.02	41.3	41.3	39.4	8.55	8.43	8.30
Nondurable Goods	281.26	277.55	279.61	41.0	40.4	40.7	6.86	6.87	6.87

Figures for Texas and selected areas cover Production Workers in Manufacturing and Mining Industries only and Nonsupervisory Employees in other industry divisions. Earnings' averages include premium pay for overtime, holidays, and for late-shift work. ✣ Preliminary — subject to revision upon receipt of additional reports.

SOURCE: Texas Employment Commission in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor.

Transportation and Public Utilities gained close to 5,000 jobs, due primarily to advances in Water Transportation and Air Transportation. Seasonal trends pushed employment in **Services** up by over 4,000 as Amusements, including Motion Pictures, added 1,200 jobs and Business and Repair Services (which includes Tax Preparation Services) gained 1,100 positions. The other major industry sector which was helped by seasonal factors was **Construction**, where 2,700 jobs were created in April. The only sector which did not increase was **Mining**, where employment held steady over the month.

Manufacturing continued its downward trend, losing an additional 600 jobs in April. Gains and losses were mixed among both the Durable and Nondurable Goods sectors. Declines were more prevalent in **Durable Goods**, which was responsible for the overall decrease of 600 in Manufacturing. **Nondurable Goods** had offsetting increases and declines, leaving the sector unchanged in April.

Average Hours Decline in April

The 628,500 Texas Manufacturing Production Workers in April were working a 40.8-hour week at $10.44 per hour, averaging $425.95 in Weekly Earnings. Weekly Hours were down by 0.6 hour from March but had declined by 1.4 hours from April 1989. Average Hourly Earnings were up by three cents over the month and had risen by $2.24 from the year-ago average.

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TEC ACTIVITIES

	APR.'90	APR.'89
Total Population	17,106,500*	16,952,400*
% UI Covered Unemployment	1.9	1.9
UI Covered Employers	313,868	311,482
Total Claims Actions	537,497	513,292
Total Initial Claims Actions	57,941	53,730
Total Cont'd. Claims Actions	479,556	459,562
Total Placements	33,449	31,615
Avg. Weekly Benefit Amount	$154.23	$155.21
Total Amount Paid (Net)**	$61,691,634	$56,343,310

*Revised.
**Regular State UI benefits.

QUARTERLY UI BENEFITS PAID BY MSA
FIRST QUARTER 1990 (JAN.-MAR.)

Abilene	$1,195,238
Amarillo	2,242,712
Austin	8,030,333
Beaumont-Port Arthur	4,870,902
Brazoria	1,972,754
Brownsville-Harlingen	3,230,698
Bryan-College Station	768,364
Corpus Christi	3,717,586
Dallas	33,205,595
El Paso	9,059,820
Fort Worth-Arlington	19,049,916
Galveston-Texas City	3,344,435
Houston	36,007,998
Killeen-Temple	2,042,705
Laredo	1,298,019
Longview-Marshall	2,159,584
Lubbock	1,548,661
McAllen-Edinburg-Mission	9,069,009
Midland	1,314,809
Odessa	1,386,585
San Angelo	1,097,508
San Antonio	15,231,848
Sherman-Denison	1,248,136
Texarkana (Bowie Co. only)	566,091
Tyler	1,875,871
Victoria	626,795
Waco	2,287,977
Wichita Falls	1,416,011
State of Texas	218,832,967

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1988 PER CAPITA INCOME DATA RELEASED

1988 Personal and Per Capita Income Data Released by BEA

The Bureau of Economic Analysis in Washington recently released personal income data for 1988 for counties and Metropolitan Statistical Areas throughout the U. S. As might be expected, given Texas' economic problems in the past few years, no MSA in this State was among those with the fastest growth in total personal income between 1983 and 1988—the period covered by these reports.

The Houston PMSA was, however, among the 10 MSA's with the largest total personal income in 1988. These total income estimates include transfer payments, such as welfare payments and unemployment benefits, as well as regular wages and salaries. This area's total personal income in 1988 was estimated at $52.6 million.

Per Capita Income is estimated by dividing Total Personal Income by Total Population for an area. Per Capita Income estimates for Texas as a whole had risen by 22 percent between 1983 and 1988, to a level of $14,590. Among the Texas MSA's with the highest Per Capita Income levels in 1988 were Dallas, at $18,580; Midland, at $16,947; Fort Worth-Arlington, with $16,551; and Houston, which had a 1988 Per Capita Income of $16,192.

Although no Texas MSA was among the 10 Metropolitan Areas with the highest 1988 Per Capita Income level, the four border MSA's were all among the 10 U. S. MSA's with the lowest Per Capita Income levels. The McAllen-Edinburg-Mission MSA had the lowest Per Capita Income of any area in the Nation, at $7,302 in 1988 (see **Graph** on Page 3).

Ranked by percentage increases between 1983 and 1988, the Bryan-College Station MSA was highest, with a growth rate of 31 percent. Texarkana's Per Capita Income increased by 29 percent, while Killeen-Temple registered a 28 percent gain.

Due to the oil and gas-related problems in Texas, three areas which previously had high income growth rates slid to the bottom of the list. The Odessa MSA recorded only a

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CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES
(In Thousands)

	May '90	Apr.'90	May '89
UNITED STATES (ACTUAL)			
Labor Force	124,640.0	123,816.0	123,195.0
Unemployment	6,363.0	6,457.0	6,156.0
Percent Unemployed	5.1%	5.2%	5.0%
Total Employment	118,277.0	117,359.0	117,039.0
UNITED STATES (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)			
Labor Force	125,003.0	124,886.0	123,551.0
Unemployment	6,653.0	6,770.0	6,419.0
Percent Unemployed	5.3%	5.4%	5.2%
Total Employment	118,350.0	118,116.0	117,132.0
STATE OF TEXAS (ACTUAL)			
Labor Force	8,409.7	8,386.2	8,382.6
Unemployment	522.9	499.2	495.5
Percent Unemployed	6.2%	6.0%	5.9%
Total Employment	7,886.8	7,887.0	7,887.1
STATE OF TEXAS (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)			
Labor Force	8,425.0	8,495.0	8,399.0
Unemployment	545.0	540.0	513.0
Percent Unemployed	6.5%	6.4%	6.1%
Total Employment	7,880.0	7,955.0	7,886.0

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES +
TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

	MAY'90*	APR.'90**	MAY'89**	MAY'90*	APR.'90**	MAY'89**	MAY'90*	APR.'90**	MAY'89**
	ABILENE			AMARILLO			AUSTIN		
Total Civilian Labor Force	52,100	51,700	52,400	97,300	96,300	97,600	431,200	431,400	433,900
Total Unemployment	3,200	2,800	3,100	5,200	4,700	4,700	20,800	18,900	21,500
Percent Unemployed	6.1%	5.4%	5.9%	5.3%	4.9%	4.8%	4.8%	4.4%	5.0%
Total Employment ++	48,900	48,900	49,300	92,100	91,600	92,900	410,400	412,500	412,400
	BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR			BRAZORIA			BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN		
Total Civilian Labor Force	164,000	163,200	162,500	86,400	85,600	85,700	107,800	107,000	102,400
Total Unemployment	12,700	12,000	13,700	4,800	4,400	5,400	12,100	11,500	10,500
Percent Unemployed	7.7%	7.4%	8.4%	5.6%	5.1%	6.3%	11.2%	10.7%	10.3%
Total Employment ++	151,300	151,200	148,800	81,600	81,200	80,300	95,700	95,500	91,900
	BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION			CORPUS CHRISTI			DALLAS***		
Total Civilian Labor Force	61,500	62,600	61,900	157,300	157,600	159,100	1,432.1	1,429.6	1,440.8
Total Unemployment	2,300	2,000	2,500	10,100	10,000	12,200	74.4	69.6	69.0
Percent Unemployed	3.7%	3.2%	4.0%	6.4%	6.3%	7.7%	5.2%	4.8%	4.8%
Total Employment ++	59,200	60,600	59,400	147,200	147,600	146,900	1,357.7	1,360.0	1,371.8
	EL PASO			FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON			GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY		
Total Civilian Labor Force	252,500	251,200	245,500	727,400	723,400	719,500	109,700	109,100	111,600
Total Unemployment	26,900	25,600	21,800	41,400	34,500	34,500	7,800	7,600	7,500
Percent Unemployed	10.7%	10.2%	8.9%	5.7%	4.8%	4.8%	7.1%	7.0%	6.7%
Total Employment ++	225,600	225,600	223,700	686,000	688,900	685,000	101,900	101,500	104,100
	HOUSTON***			KILLEEN-TEMPLE			LAREDO		
Total Civilian Labor Force	1,683.9	1,677.4	1,658.3	99,300	98,600	96,300	52,900	53,600	50,300
Total Unemployment	88.8	82.3	87.2	6,700	6,600	6,300	5,300	6,000	5,000
Percent Unemployed	5.3%	4.9%	5.3%	6.7%	6.7%	6.5%	10.0%	11.2%	9.9%
Total Employment ++	1,595.1	1,595.1	1,571.1	92,600	92,000	90,000	47,600	47,600	45,300
	LONGVIEW-MARSHALL			LUBBOCK			MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION		
Total Civilian Labor Force	79,800	79,800	79,200	114,300	113,300	113,800	163,000	165,500	154,600
Total Unemployment	5,500	5,200	6,100	5,300	4,800	4,900	27,500	32,400	20,600
Percent Unemployed	6.9%	6.5%	7.7%	4.6%	4.2%	4.3%	16.9%	19.6%	13.3%
Total Employment ++	74,300	74,600	73,100	109,000	108,500	108,900	135,500	133,100	134,000
	MIDLAND			ODESSA			SAN ANGELO		
Total Civilian Labor Force	48,900	48,800	49,600	50,400	50,500	52,200	44,200	44,300	45,800
Total Unemployment	2,700	2,500	2,800	3,100	3,200	3,900	2,700	2,600	2,400
Percent Unemployed	5.5%	5.1%	5.6%	6.2%	6.3%	7.5%	6.1%	5.9%	5.2%
Total Employment ++	46,200	46,300	46,800	47,300	47,300	48,300	41,500	41,700	43,400
	SAN ANTONIO			SHERMAN-DENISON			TEXARKANA		
Total Civilian Labor Force	610,500	609,700	617,700	46,800	46,900	47,200	57,300	57,500	57,800
Total Unemployment	42,900	42,600	39,900	2,500	2,400	2,400	3,600	3,400	3,900
Percent Unemployed	7.0%	7.0%	6.5%	5.3%	5.1%	5.1%	6.3%	5.9%	6.7%
Total Employment ++	567,600	567,100	577,800	44,300	44,500	44,800	53,700	54,100	53,900
	TYLER			VICTORIA			WACO		
Total Civilian Labor Force	74,600	74,700	75,300	36,500	36,000	35,400	94,200	93,900	92,800
Total Unemployment	4,600	4,200	4,800	1,800	1,700	2,000	5,600	4,800	4,600
Percent Unemployed	6.2%	5.6%	6.4%	4.9%	4.7%	5.6%	5.9%	5.1%	5.0%
Total Employment ++	70,000	70,500	70,500	34,700	34,300	33,400	88,600	89,100	88,200
	WICHITA FALLS						STATE OF TEXAS***		
Total Civilian Labor Force	56,100	55,500	57,100				8,409.7	8,386.2	8,382.6
Total Unemployment	3,700	3,000	3,300				522.9	499.2	495.5
Percent Unemployed	6.6%	5.4%	5.8%				6.2%	6.0%	5.9%
Total Employment ++	52,400	52,500	53,800				7,886.8	7,887.0	7,887.1

+ All estimates shown are "actual" (not seasonally adjusted). ++ Total employment includes resident wage and salary workers, self-employed, unpaid family workers and domestics in private households, agricultural workers, and workers involved in labor-management disputes.
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7 percent increase between 1983 and 1988, while Midland's Per Capita income grew by only 14 percent and Houston recorded only a 16 percent growth rate.

For more information on Per Capita Income, contact the Economic Research and Analysis Department, Texas Employment Commission, 101 E. 15th Street, Austin, TX 78778.

Texas Unemployment Rate Rises

The Statewide actual unemployment rate increased moderately between April and May, from 6.0 percent to 6.2 percent. Although the over-the-month gain was not large, the current rate was slightly above the May 1989 rate of 5.9 percent. Much of the increase in joblessness in May was due to the entrance of summer jobseekers into the labor force, which usually pushes unemployment up somewhat.

Total employment was basically unchanged both over the month and from the year-ago level in May 1990, while unemployment had risen from both prior periods. Estimates from the Current Population Survey showed that there were 237,900 agricultural workers in Texas in mid-May. The U. S. unemployment rates in both the actual and the seasonally adjusted series inched downward by one-tenth of a percent over the month. The actual rate for the Nation in May was 5.1 percent, while the seasonally adjusted rate slid to 5.3 percent.

Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment Increases

Nonfarm Salaried Jobs increased by 1,400 from April to May 1990, raising total Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment to 6,919,600. A comparison of the over-the-month growth this year with the same period last year reveals a definite slowing economic growth in Texas this year.

With the beginning of summer job growth, **Nonmanufacturing**, overall, gained 4,900 jobs, with the largest growth occurring in **Construction** and **Wholesale & Retail Trade**. Seasonal factors provided the impetus for most of the growth in Construction, up by 3,200 from April 1990, and in Wholesale & Retail Trade, up by 3,600 from last month. **Retail Trade** reflected expansion influenced by part-time and limited seasonal hiring in General Merchandise Stores, Food Stores, and Eating & Drinking Places.

Another large gain was found in **Mining**, up by 1,200 from April 1990. Oil & Gas Extraction was responsible for this growth, with employment at 163,300 in this industry. In addition, **Transportation & Public Utilities** had an increase of 2,500 jobs, most of which was concentrated in Other Transportation.

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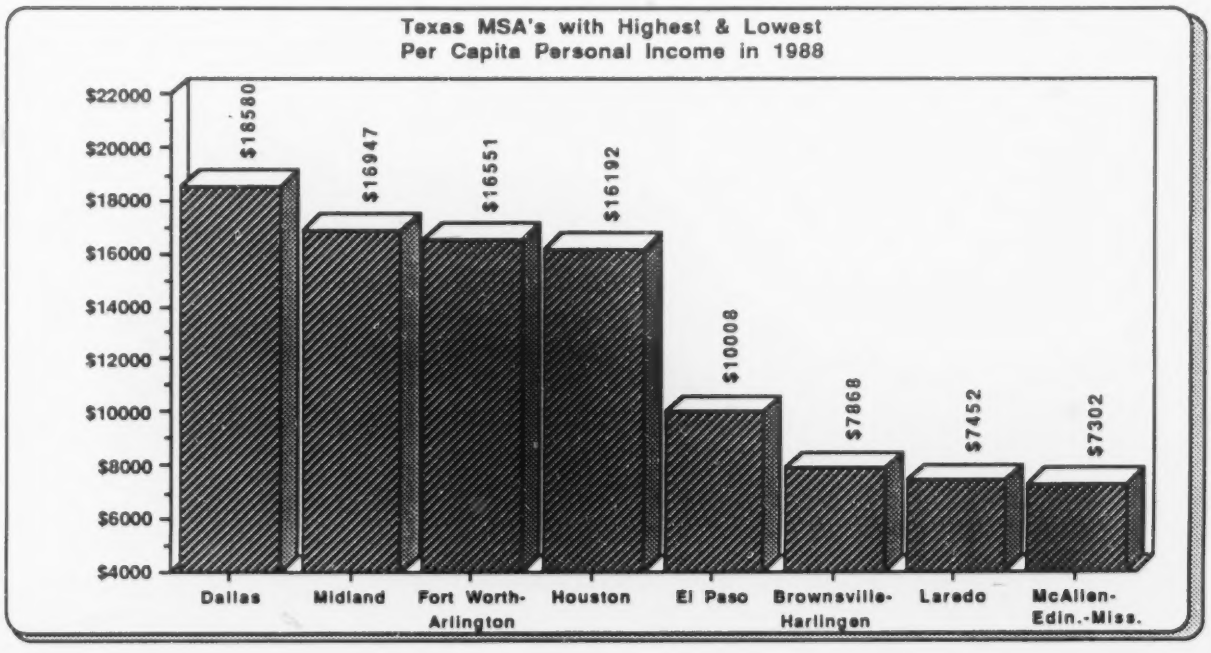

TEXAS NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT +

	May '90*	Apr.'90**	May '89**	Chg. from Apr.'90	Chg. from May '89
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	**6,919,600**	**6,918,200**	**6,808,700**	**1,400**	**110,900**
MANUFACTURING	**959,800**	**963,300**	**969,500**	**-3,500**	**-9,700**
Durable Goods	**550,400**	**552,300**	**558,700**	**-1,900**	**-8,300**
Lumber & Wood Products	30,800	30,600	30,900	200	-100
Logging Camps, Sawmills, Planing Mills	7,000	6,800	7,000	200	0
Furniture & Fixtures	16,600	16,700	15,900	-100	700
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	35,600	35,900	37,400	-300	-1,800
Concrete, Gypsum & Plaster Prod.	15,100	15,300	16,600	-200	-1,500
Primary Metal Industries	28,800	28,700	29,500	100	-700
Fabricated Metal Industries	77,700	77,800	77,600	-100	100
Fabr. Structructural Metal Prod.	37,100	37,200	37,200	-100	-100
Industrial Machinery & Equipment	106,500	106,200	108,600	300	-2,100
Oil & Gas Field Machinery	23,700	23,500	23,700	200	0
Electronic & Other Electrical Equipment	104,800	104,200	106,100	600	-1,300
Transportation Equipment	96,900	99,500	99,700	-2,600	-2,800
Aircraft & Parts	71,500	71,800	71,500	-300	0
Instruments & Related Prod.	37,000	37,200	37,200	-200	-200
Misc. Manufacturing Industries	15,700	15,500	15,800	200	-100
Nondurable Goods	**409,400**	**411,000**	**410,800**	**-1,600**	**-1,400**
Food & Kindred Products	95,500	95,300	95,200	200	300
Meat Products	29,000	28,900	29,100	100	-100
Dairy Products	4,100	4,100	4,200	0	-100
Bakery Products	9,900	10,000	10,000	-100	-100
Malt Beverages	3,200	3,300	3,000	-100	200
Textile Mill Products	3,700	3,800	4,000	-100	-300
Apparel & Oth. Fin. Textile Prod.	54,500	55,500	56,800	-1,000	-2,300
Paper & Allied Products	24,300	24,400	24,600	-100	-300
Printing & Publishing	72,700	72,800	73,400	-100	-700
Newspaper, Periodicals, Books & Misc.	34,800	34,700	35,100	100	-300
Chemicals & Allied Products	82,600	82,500	79,900	100	2,700
Petroleum & Coal Products	28,800	28,800	28,300	0	500
Petroleum Refining	25,600	25,600	25,200	0	400
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	40,300	40,600	40,800	-300	-500
Leather & Leather Products	6,900	7,200	7,700	-300	-800
TOTAL NONMANUFACTURING	**5,959,800**	**5,954,900**	**5,839,200**	**4,900**	**120,600**
Mining	**177,000**	**175,800**	**173,000**	**1,200**	**4,000**
Metal & Coal & Nonmet. Mnrls., exc. Fuel	9,800	9,800	9,700	0	100
Oil & Gas Extraction	167,200	166,000	163,300	1,200	3,900
Construction	**318,500**	**315,300**	**317,000**	**3,200**	**1,500**
Transportation & Public Utilities	**414,700**	**412,200**	**398,200**	**2,500**	**16,500**
Railroad Transportation	19,000	19,000	20,300	0	-1,300
Other Transportation	232,700	230,400	218,400	2,300	14,300
Transportation by Air	72,300	71,700	67,200	600	5,100
Communications	86,100	86,000	83,100	100	3,000
Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	76,900	76,800	76,400	100	500
Electric Services	40,600	40,400	41,000	200	-400
Gas Production & Distribution	27,300	27,400	27,200	-100	100
Wholesale & Retail Trade	**1,693,400**	**1,689,800**	**1,683,600**	**3,600**	**9,800**
Wholesale Trade	425,200	425,500	425,000	-300	200
Retail Trade	1,268,200	1,264,300	1,258,600	3,900	9,600
Building Materials & Garden Supplies	43,300	43,300	42,600	0	700
General Merchandise Stores	171,900	171,300	174,500	600	-2,600
Food Stores	224,000	223,000	223,100	1,000	900
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	135,600	135,100	138,100	500	-2,500
Apparel & Accessory Stores	83,400	83,900	83,000	-500	400
Eating & Drinking Places	428,200	426,200	417,300	2,000	10,900
Other Retail Trade	181,800	181,500	180,000	300	1,800
Finance, Ins. & Real Estate	**432,700**	**433,000**	**432,400**	**-300**	**300**
Depository Insts., incl. Banks	133,000	133,200	134,300	-200	-1,300
Insurance Carriers, Agents & Brokers	141,400	141,500	139,200	-100	2,200
Other Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	158,300	158,300	158,900	0	-600
Services	**1,653,300**	**1,654,400**	**1,603,100**	**-1,100**	**50,200**
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	85,100	84,400	86,300	700	-1,200
Personal Services	79,800	82,000	76,900	-2,200	2,900
Business & Repair Services	413,300	411,900	404,200	1,400	9,100
Amusement, including Motion Pictures	76,600	76,000	75,500	600	1,100
Health Services	461,500	459,200	441,300	2,300	20,200
Educational Services	77,800	84,200	78,900	-6,400	-1,100
Engineering & Mgmt. Services	148,500	148,700	139,200	-200	9,300
Other Services & Miscellaneous	310,700	308,000	300,800	2,700	9,900
Total Government	**1,270,200**	**1,274,400**	**1,231,900**	**-4,200**	**38,300**
Federal Government	209,300	210,000	201,500	-700	7,800
State Government	256,100	260,200	249,700	-4,100	6,400
Local Government	804,800	804,200	780,700	600	24,100

+ Number of nonagricultural jobs in Texas without reference to place of residence of workers. Estimates of TEC in cooperation with Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor.

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NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT +
TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

Industry	May'90*	Apr.'90**	May'89**	May'90*	Apr.'90**	May'89**	May'90*	Apr.'90**	May'89**	May'90*	Apr.'90**	May'89**
	ABILENE			AMARILLO			AUSTIN			BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR		
TOTAL	49,200	48,900	48,800	77,800	77,200	77,500	389,800	379,300	364,000	139,100	138,800	135,100
Manufacturing	5,000	5,000	4,800	8,900	9,000	9,100	45,500	45,300	43,500	24,900	25,000	24,600
Mining	1,500	1,400	1,500	1,100	1,100	1,400	600	600	600	1,600	1,600	1,400
Construction	1,600	1,400	1,600	3,400	3,200	3,500	10,800	10,800	11,200	10,500	10,200	9,500
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,700	2,700	2,600	5,700	5,600	5,600	11,200	11,100	11,200	9,900	9,900	9,800
Trade	13,200	13,100	13,200	21,800	21,700	22,400	78,000	77,700	78,100	32,600	32,600	32,200
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	2,200	2,200	2,300	3,900	3,900	4,100	23,700	23,700	23,500	5,300	5,300	5,300
Services & Misc.	14,000	14,100	13,700	17,500	17,300	17,000	92,400	92,100	90,400	32,900	32,700	31,200
Government	9,000	9,000	9,100	15,500	15,400	14,400	107,600	109,000	105,500	21,500	21,500	21,100
	BRAZORIA			BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN			BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION			CORPUS CHRISTI		
TOTAL	64,800	64,100	62,900	75,900	76,200	73,300	53,000	54,400	52,400	129,100	129,100	127,100
Manufacturing	16,400	16,400	16,000	10,800	10,800	10,500	3,700	3,700	3,600	11,600	11,600	11,700
Mining	2,000	2,000	2,100	—	—	—	500	500	500	3,500	3,500	3,600
Construction	9,400	9,000	8,600	2,000	2,000	2,000	1,600	1,500	1,700	10,000	9,800	8,400
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,500	2,500	2,500	3,100	3,100	3,100	1,400	1,400	1,300	6,600	6,700	6,700
Trade	11,700	11,600	11,500	20,300	20,500	19,800	11,600	11,900	11,500	32,100	32,100	32,000
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,800	1,800	1,800	3,800	3,800	3,700	1,600	1,700	1,700	6,200	6,300	6,400
Services & Misc.	9,100	9,100	8,900	18,000	18,000	16,900	9,200	9,100	9,200	30,500	30,500	29,700
Government	11,800	11,700	11,500	17,900	18,000	17,300	23,400	24,600	22,900	28,600	28,600	28,600
	DALLAS ***			EL PASO			FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON			GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY		
TOTAL	1,359.5	1,357.7	1,345.9	207,400	207,000	201,400	575,400	575,600	562,000	75,400	75,200	75,700
Manufacturing	221.0	220.9	223.8	39,500	39,800	40,700	118,400	121,300	119,500	9,000	9,000	8,900
Mining	17.2	17.2	17.6	—	—	—	3,900	3,900	4,000	600	600	500
Construction	44.6	44.2	47.6	8,200	8,300	7,800	21,000	21,000	21,000	6,300	6,400	6,800
Trans., Comm. & Util.	80.2	80.1	76.8	10,600	10,500	10,400	55,500	55,200	51,100	5,100	5,000	4,700
Trade	354.7	353.9	345.1	52,500	52,000	50,300	145,800	144,600	143,800	14,200	14,100	14,300
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	128.7	129.2	129.6	8,400	8,400	8,500	27,900	27,700	27,800	4,500	4,500	4,600
Services & Misc.	350.3	349.0	348.0	42,900	42,800	41,500	128,100	126,900	123,500	13,900	13,900	13,700
Government	162.8	163.2	157.4	45,300	45,200	42,200	75,100	75,000	71,300	21,800	21,700	22,200
	HOUSTON ***			KILLEEN-TEMPLE			LAREDO			LONGVIEW-MARSHALL		
TOTAL	1,541.6	1,537.6	1,495.1	75,200	74,600	73,100	44,200	43,800	41,400	68,700	68,800	66,900
Manufacturing	163.6	163.3	161.4	8,800	8,700	8,500	1,800	1,800	1,700	16,300	16,300	16,000
Mining	67.8	67.8	64.5	—	—	—	1,700	1,700	1,800	3,400	3,400	3,300
Construction	100.5	99.0	94.2	3,200	3,200	3,400	1,300	1,200	1,200	3,600	3,600	2,900
Trans., Comm. & Util.	107.0	106.5	105.8	2,700	2,700	2,700	6,100	6,100	5,600	3,500	3,400	3,300
Trade	369.3	366.7	364.8	16,800	16,500	16,800	14,200	14,000	13,100	16,900	16,800	17,100
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	101.8	101.9	101.5	3,200	3,200	3,000	1,900	1,900	1,700	2,700	2,700	2,700
Services & Misc.	427.8	427.6	407.8	17,700	17,500	16,900	7,300	7,300	6,800	13,400	13,700	12,700
Government	203.8	205.0	195.1	22,800	22,800	21,800	9,900	9,800	9,700	8,900	8,900	8,900
	LUBBOCK			MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION			MIDLAND			ODESSA		
TOTAL	97,100	96,500	94,900	100,500	99,500	97,300	44,700	44,700	44,700	42,600	42,300	42,600
Manufacturing	7,200	7,200	7,300	12,600	12,400	12,900	2,300	2,300	2,400	4,100	4,100	4,000
Mining	300	300	300	900	900	900	8,500	8,600	8,800	5,000	4,900	5,000
Construction	3,100	2,900	3,000	4,400	4,400	4,200	1,300	1,300	1,400	2,000	2,000	1,900
Trans., Comm. & Util.	5,800	5,800	5,100	2,900	2,900	3,100	2,300	2,300	2,300	1,900	1,900	1,900
Trade	27,900	27,700	27,600	31,900	31,000	30,000	11,000	10,900	10,700	12,600	12,500	12,600
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	5,400	5,400	5,300	4,300	4,300	4,100	2,400	2,400	2,400	1,500	1,500	1,600
Services & Misc.	23,900	23,800	24,000	16,600	16,700	16,200	9,600	9,600	9,700	7,600	7,500	7,700
Government	23,500	23,400	22,300	26,900	26,900	25,900	7,300	7,300	7,000	7,900	7,900	7,900
	SAN ANGELO			SAN ANTONIO			SHERMAN-DENISON			TEXARKANA		
TOTAL	36,100	36,000	37,100	519,100	517,400	517,800	37,100	37,100	36,900	47,100	46,900	46,100
Manufacturing	5,000	5,000	5,500	48,200	47,500	48,600	10,900	10,800	10,800	7,200	7,100	7,100
Mining	600	600	500	2,100	2,100	2,100	—	—	—	100	100	100
Construction	1,100	1,100	1,200	20,400	20,100	21,900	1,600	1,700	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,600
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,600	2,600	2,800	19,800	19,600	19,500	1,300	1,300	1,700	2,300	2,300	2,300
Trade	8,800	8,800	9,100	131,300	130,000	131,100	8,000	8,000	8,000	10,700	10,700	10,700
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,600	1,600	1,700	40,900	41,200	40,500	2,000	2,000	1,900	1,800	1,800	1,800
Services & Misc.	8,700	8,600	9,100	135,800	134,400	133,600	8,900	8,900	8,600	10,800	10,700	10,000
Government	7,700	7,700	7,200	122,600	122,500	120,500	4,400	4,400	4,400	12,700	12,700	12,500
	TYLER			VICTORIA			WACO			WICHITA FALLS		
TOTAL	62,200	62,300	61,800	28,500	28,300	27,500	82,300	82,700	80,600	50,400	50,400	50,800
Manufacturing	10,800	10,800	10,800	3,100	3,100	2,900	16,200	16,200	15,500	7,900	8,000	8,500
Mining	1,700	1,700	1,600	1,400	1,300	1,300	—	—	—	1,400	1,400	1,500
Construction	1,800	1,800	1,700	1,800	1,900	1,500	3,000	2,900	3,100	1,800	1,600	1,600
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,800	2,800	2,700	1,300	1,300	1,300	3,500	3,500	3,400	2,600	2,600	2,600
Trade	16,300	16,300	16,300	7,600	7,500	7,600	18,700	18,700	18,500	11,800	11,800	11,900
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	3,500	3,500	3,400	1,500	1,500	1,600	5,100	5,100	5,100	2,300	2,400	2,300
Services & Misc.	15,200	15,300	14,900	5,800	5,800	6,100	22,400	22,900	21,800	12,800	12,700	12,500
Government	10,100	10,100	10,400	6,000	5,900	5,200	13,400	13,400	13,200	10,000	9,900	9,900

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HOURS AND EARNINGS IN TEXAS ✣

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	MAY'90*	APR.'90	MAY'89	MAY'90*	APR.'90	MAY'89	MAY'90*	APR.'90	MAY'89
				FOR TEXAS					
MANUFACTURING TOTAL	$ 430.56	$ 424.68	$ 426.96	41.4	40.6	41.9	$ 10.40	$10.46	$10.19
Durable Goods	424.96	413.48	428.33	41.5	40.3	42.2	10.24	10.26	10.15
Lumber & Wood Products	310.34	303.81	305.14	41.6	41.0	41.8	7.46	7.41	7.30
Furniture & Fixtures	276.11	261.05	264.13	39.5	37.4	38.9	6.99	6.98	6.79
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	417.73	399.08	404.28	42.8	41.1	42.2	9.76	9.71	9.58
Primary Metal Industries	489.06	453.13	450.32	42.9	40.1	41.2	11.40	11.30	10.93
Fabricated Metal Products	391.86	380.59	382.67	42.0	41.1	42.9	9.33	9.26	8.92
Machinery, exc. Electric	420.51	396.58	421.02	41.8	39.5	42.7	10.06	10.04	9.86
Oil Field Machinery	500.63	477.05	486.69	44.5	41.7	43.3	11.25	11.44	11.24
Electric & Electronic Equip.	468.18	474.21	490.04	40.5	40.6	42.1	11.56	11.68	11.64
Transportation Equipment	539.92	531.54	579.91	41.5	40.7	43.8	13.01	13.06	13.24
Instruments & Related Prod.	413.34	395.79	386.88	41.5	40.1	40.3	9.96	9.87	9.60
Misc. Manufacturing Inds.	295.23	288.03	286.60	39.0	38.2	39.1	7.57	7.54	7.33
Nondurable Goods	437.78	437.63	424.55	41.3	40.9	41.5	10.60	10.70	10.23
Food & Kindred Products	350.88	345.95	344.86	40.8	40.7	41.4	8.60	8.50	8.33
Meat Products	270.76	268.87	267.49	40.9	40.8	41.6	6.62	6.59	6.43
Malt Beverages	838.35	878.39	849.61	45.0	46.5	45.9	18.63	18.89	18.51
Textile Mill Products	328.61	300.89	313.65	42.9	39.8	42.5	7.66	7.56	7.38
Apparel & Other Text. Prods.	227.53	213.19	209.67	40.2	37.6	38.9	5.66	5.67	5.39
Paper & Allied Products	484.40	484.93	480.20	43.6	42.5	43.3	11.11	11.41	11.09
Printing & Publishing	408.43	407.38	404.48	39.5	39.9	39.5	10.34	10.21	10.24
Chemicals & Allied Products	685.18	709.92	699.20	42.4	43.5	43.7	16.16	16.32	16.00
Petroleum & Coal Products	745.82	774.87	704.81	44.5	45.5	44.3	16.76	17.03	15.91
Petroleum Refining	772.56	807.98	729.86	44.4	45.7	44.1	17.40	17.68	16.55
Rubber & Misc. Plastic Products	384.87	376.81	366.34	40.9	40.3	42.4	9.41	9.35	8.64
Leather & Leather Products	242.82	234.75	224.62	38.3	35.3	38.2	6.34	6.65	5.88
NONMANUFACTURING									
Mining	580.03	586.36	497.21	42.4	42.8	38.1	13.68	13.70	13.05
Met/Coal/Nonmet Mnrls. exc. Fuel	547.99	561.39	530.14	47.2	46.9	44.7	11.61	11.97	11.86
Oil & Gas Extraction	583.09	588.20	494.44	42.1	42.5	37.6	13.85	13.84	13.15
Communications	528.84	542.93	510.47	40.9	41.7	40.1	12.93	13.02	12.73
Elec., Gas & San. Services	550.82	572.45	505.93	42.6	43.4	40.9	12.93	13.19	12.37
Wholesale & Retail Trade	242.06	241.41	236.35	32.8	32.8	32.6	7.38	7.36	7.25
Wholesale Trade	419.49	422.41	408.33	39.5	39.7	39.3	10.62	10.64	10.39
Retail Trade	188.50	187.57	183.61	30.8	30.8	30.5	6.12	6.09	6.02
General Merchandise Stores	186.88	182.97	179.95	29.9	29.8	29.5	6.25	6.14	6.10
Depository Inst. inc. Banks	280.72	300.29	276.40	36.6	39.1	37.2	7.67	7.68	7.43

HOURS AND EARNINGS FOR SELECTED TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

DALLAS									
Manufacturing	$ 436.60	$ 426.36	$ 441.52	41.9	40.8	42.7	$ 10.42	$ 10.45	$ 10.34
Durable Goods	461.25	451.13	482.01	42.2	40.9	43.7	10.93	11.03	11.03
Nondurable Goods	394.96	386.38	370.96	41.4	40.8	40.9	9.54	9.47	9.07
FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON									
Manufacturing	467.58	450.96	446.22	41.6	40.3	40.9	11.24	11.19	10.91
Durable Goods	491.40	473.85	467.62	42.0	40.5	41.2	11.70	11.70	11.35
Nondurable Goods	414.94	400.80	398.57	40.8	40.0	40.3	10.17	10.02	9.89
HOUSTON									
Manufacturing	518.52	511.77	508.81	43.5	42.4	43.6	11.92	12.07	11.67
Durable Goods	449.07	423.30	423.15	44.2	41.5	43.4	10.16	10.20	9.75
Nondurable Goods	602.79	619.88	616.27	42.6	43.5	43.8	14.15	14.25	14.07
SAN ANTONIO									
Manufacturing	320.54	307.97	312.23	41.2	40.1	41.3	7.78	7.68	7.56
Durable Goods	348.53	340.54	342.72	41.1	40.3	40.8	8.48	8.45	8.40
Nondurable Goods	291.99	276.61	282.31	41.3	39.8	41.7	7.07	6.95	6.77

✣Figures for Texas and selected areas cover Production Workers in Manufacturing and Mining Industries only and Nonsupervisory Employees in other industry divisions. Earnings' averages include premium pay for overtime, holidays, and for late-shift work. *Preliminary — subject to revision upon receipt of additional reports.

Overall losses were observed in **Finance, Insurance & Real Estate,** which decreased by 300; in **Services**, which declined by 1,100; and in **Government**, which registered a loss of 4,200 jobs. There were some gains within two of these sectors. In Services, gains occurred in Hotels & Other Lodging Places, up by 700 from last month. Most of this increase was in Dallas area hotels due to seasonal activities and conventions being held there. Business and Repair Services were up by 1,400 jobs, due to an increase in temporary services. Health Services increased by 2,300 jobs as nursing and personal care facilities added new positions. The only gain noted in **Government** came in Local Government, up by 600 from April 1990.

Manufacturing continued to decrease, losing 3,500 jobs in the last month. Durable Goods registered the larger loss, down 1,900, while **Nondurable Goods** lost 1,600 jobs over the month. Apparel & Other Textile Products declined by 1,000 jobs due primarily to the permanent closing of a leading manufacturer of men's and boys' clothing. Smaller decreases in Nondurable Goods occurred in Rubber & Plastics Products and Leather & Leather Products, as well as in Textile Mill Products, Paper & Allied Products, and Printing & Publishing.

The greatest loss in **Durable Goods** was noted in Transportation Equipment, down by 2,600 jobs, due to a plant shutdown for extensive retooling. Other losses in Durable Goods were noted in Stone, Clay & Glass Products and Instruments & Related Products, with further minor losses in Furniture & Fixtures and in Fabricated Metal Industries.

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Avg. Weekly Earnings Increase

For the estimated 624,000 Texas Manufacturing Production Workers, Average Hourly Earnings decreased six cents from April to May 1990. Average Weekly Hours increased by eight-tenths of an hour, as Average Weekly Earnings increased by $5.88 over the month.

The largest gain in Average Weekly Earnings was in Durable Goods, up by $11.48, overall. Industries within Durable Goods with the highest increases were Machinery, including Oil Field Machinery, Primary Metal Industries and Instruments & Related Products.

In mid-May a worker, on average, was earning $10.40 per hour for a 41.4-hour week, and making $430.56 in weekly earnings. Compared to the May 1989 level, Average Hourly Earnings were up 21 cents, while Average Weekly Hours had decreased by five-tenths of an hour.

TEC ACTIVITIES

	MAY'90	MAY'89
Total Population	17,119,300*	16,965,200*
% UI Covered Unemployment	1.6	1.6
UI Covered Employers	315,368	312,341
Total Claims Actions	574,699	533,187
Total Initial Claims Actions	57,014	55,486
Total Cont'd. Claims Actions	517,685	477,701
Total Placements	42,951	35,288
Avg. Weekly Benefit Amount	$157.25	$155.91
Total Amount Paid (Net)**	$65,965,057	$61,371,518

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